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OVERVIEW

Maddie is a corporate attorney with extensive experience in the fields of renewable energy, oil and gas, and real estate.

Maddie handles a variety of transactional matters, including agreements for onshore and offshore oil and gas and renewable energy projects, real property acquisitions and divestitures, and various stages of business transactions. She also counsels clients on a wide array of corporate issues, including entity formation, governance, winding down and dissolution, and trademark protections and licensing.

Maddie has extensive experience in the energy industry. She began her career as an oil and gas title attorney before moving to litigation and eventually transactional work. She has researched and written title opinions; drafted discovery requests and responses, briefs, motions, memoranda and court orders; and drafted and negotiated purchase and sale agreements, leases, joint operating agreements, mineral conveyances and reservations, and numerous other transactional documents for energy clients. She is also familiar with the overlap between energy law and environmental law, specifically as it pertains to carbon capture and sequestration and renewable energy sources, including federal and state regulatory issues that pertain to the energy industry.

Maddie's current practice focuses on renewable energy investments, which allows her to utilize her skills and knowledge of the industry with her experience in mergers and acquisitions, corporate, and real estate transactions. She's known as a highly knowledgeable transactional attorney who is trustworthy, easy to reach and pleasant to work with.

Industry

Financial Services & Capital Markets

Services

Carbon Capture & Sequestration

Corporate

Energy Storage

Mergers & Acquisitions

Oil & Gas

Solar Energy

Tax Credits

Maddie's experience as a litigator means she knows what language in a document may be likely to trigger disputes in the future, and clients trust her to draft agreements that are as unlikely as possible to create conflict going forward.

Experience

- Drafted and negotiated oil and gas leases, joint operating agreements, assignments and conveyances, surface use and access agreements, easements, midstream agreements, production handling agreements, and other transactional documents on behalf of clients ranging from landowners to major producers in all phases of energy exploration, development and production.
- Researched, published articles and presented on carbon capture and sequestration and renewable energy issues, including related federal and state regulatory matters.
- Represented both buyers and sellers in real property transactions, handling title and survey issues, deeds, leases, reservations, exchanges and closing logistics for companies, individuals, landlords and commercial tenants.
- Represented a variety of upstream clients in matters ranging from lease drafting and contract negotiation to complex litigation (including participation in a multi-million-dollar trial on behalf of one of the world's largest publicly traded international oil and gas companies).
- Drafted various documents related to litigation, such as Motions for Summary Judgment, Motions to Compel, Original Petitions, discovery requests and responses; engaged in negotiations and correspondence with clients and other counsel; and performed legal research and drafted numerous memos on a variety of matters, primarily related to oil and gas.
- Facilitated the wind-down of a mid-sized exploration and production company.
- Analyzed abstracts and drafted complex oil and gas title opinions, including supplemental opinions and division order title opinions.
- Reviewed hundreds of oil and gas leases, assignments, joint operating agreements, purchase and sale agreements, various royalty conveyances, and numerous other agreements.

Recognition

- Thomson Reuters' *Texas Super Lawyers*, Rising Star, Energy & Natural Resources, 2021

Education

- J.D., University of Texas School of Law
 - Includes semester at University College London
 - *Texas Environmental Law Journal*
 - Women's Law Caucus
- B.A., University of Texas at Austin
 - Plan II Honors

Admissions

- Texas

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